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Information circular*

To: Members of the staff

From: Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: **Dependency allowances for staff in the Professional and higher categories and in the Field Service category****

1. On the basis of the recommendation presented by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) in its twenty-fourth annual report,[1] the General Assembly, by its resolution 53/209 of 18 December 1998, approved increases in the children's allowance and in the secondary dependant's allowance of staff members in the Professional and higher categories, with effect from 1 January 1999, from their current levels of $1,510 and $540 per annum to $1,730 and $619 per annum respectively.

2. The General Assembly also approved the recommendation of ICSC to provide for increases of the same proportions in those duty stations where the amounts of those allowances are currently established in local currency. A list of those countries and the related local currency amounts of the children's allowance and the secondary dependant's allowance applicable from 1 January 1999 is contained in the annex to the present circular.

3. In keeping with past practice, the revised amounts will also be applicable as from 1 January 1999 in respect of eligible children of staff members in the Field Service category.

Notes

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-third Session, Supplement No. 30* and corrigendum (A/53/30 and Corr.1), para. 124.

* The present circular will be in effect until further notice.

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Annex

Amounts of children's and secondary dependant's allowances for staff members in the Professional and higher categories in designated countries

(Effective 1 January 1999)

Country	*Currency*	*Children's allowance*	*Secondary dependant's allowance*
Austria	Schilling	28 256	10 438
Belgium	Belgian franc	70 189	22 448
Denmark	Danish krone	13 193	3 814
France	French franc	10 141	3 365
French Guiana	French franc	10 141	3 365
Germany	Deutsche mark	4 057	1 455
Ireland	Irish pound	1 145	375
Japan	Yen	398 701	181 125
Luxembourg	Luxembourg franc	70 189	22 410
Monaco	French franc	10 141	3 365
Netherlands	Guilder	4 472	1 523
Switzerland	Swiss franc	3 364	1 499
United States and the rest of the world	United States dollar	1 730	619